

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the status of the claims as indicated below:

Claims 1-12 (canceled)

13. (new) A pallet for use with a sea freight container, comprising:

a chassis;

locomotion means for rolling said chassis into, and out of, a sea freight container; and,

locking means for immobilizing said chassis within the sea freight container.

14. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 13, wherein said locking means includes at least one roller mounted in said chassis.

15. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 13, wherein said locking means is positioned at either side of a leading edge of said pallet when said pallet enters the sea freight container, said locking means being pivotally mounted about an axial member on said chassis, so that said locking means is substantially parallel to side walls of the sea freight container as said pallet moves into, and out of, the sea freight container, but said locking means is rotatable outwardly from said chassis for engaging with the side walls of the sea freight container

when said locking means contacts an interior rear wall of the sea freight container.

16. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 15, wherein said locking means includes two parallel faces pivotally connected adjacent one end to said axial member and separated by a container wall engaging member.

17. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 16, wherein the container wall engaging member is an additional axial member located between said two parallel faces about which a roller member is rotatable.

18. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 13, wherein said locking means is a first locking means and further comprising a second locking means adjacent each corner of a trailing edge of said pallet, said second locking means being engagable with a side of the sea freight container.

19. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 18, wherein said second locking means includes a body member welded to said trailing edge of said pallet, said body member housing a screw member screwable outwardly, so that an outer extremity thereof engages a side wall of the sea freight container.

20. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 19, wherein said screw member is engaged with a wall of the sea freight container via a locking nut mounted on said screw member.

21. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 18, further comprising a third locking means located substantially centrally on said trailing edge of said pallet, said third locking means having an extensible member movable into close abutment with a rear door of the sea freight container.

22. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 21, further comprising a horizontal rod to which said extensible member is connected, said horizontal rod being rotatable between support members located on said trailing edge of said pallet, said horizontal rod having at least one ratchet member engagable with a pawl, so that said extensible member is fixedly rotatable out from said trailing edge of said pallet for abutting at least one door of the sea freight container.

23. (new) The pallet for use with a sea freight container according to Claim 22, wherein said at least one ratchet member comprises offset twin ratchets on said horizontal rod, each of said offset twin ratchets having a respective pawl, closely adjacent either end of said extensible member.